

Remarks

Claims 43-52 are pending. By this amendment, Applicants have canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 30-36 and 39-42. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims in a continuation application(s).

Applicants have amended claims 48 and 52 to correct informalities.

Applicants have also amended the specification to delete the term “e.g.,” from the paragraph starting at page 8, line 6, and the paragraph starting at page 8, line 18.

Because the amendments to the specification and claims do not introduce new matter, Applicants respectfully request entry of these amendments.

Objections Under 35 U.S.C. 132(a)

On page 2, the Office Action objects to the addition of the term “e.g.,” to the paragraphs starting at page 8, line 6 and line 18, respectively. The Office Action contends the added material is not supported by the original disclosure. Applicants respectfully disagree. Specifically, Applicants believe that it is obvious to one of ordinary skill in art that “solid dispersion” as used in the originally-filed application is not limited to “molecular dispersion.” While believing that the removal of “e.g.,” will not change the meaning of “solid dispersion” as appreciated by those skilled in the art, Applicants have amended the specification to remove the objected term in order to expedite the prosecution of this application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections are, therefore, respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections Under 35. U.S.C. 112

On pages 2-3, the Office Action rejects claims 30-36 and 39-42 for being indefinite. Applicants have canceled these claims without prejudice or disclaimer, thereby rendering the Examiner’s rejection moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are, therefore, respectfully requested.

Objections to the Claims

On page 3, the Office Action objects to claims 30-36, 39-42, 48, and 52 for including informalities. Applicants have canceled claims 30-36 and 39-42 without prejudice or disclaimer, thereby rendering the objections to these claims moot. Applicants have also amended claim 48

to add a beginning parenthesis before “2S”, and claim 52 to replace “a” with “the”. Applicants believe that these amendments have addressed the Examiner's concern. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections are, therefore, respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 43-47 and 49-51. Applicants have amended claims 48 and 52 to correct the informalities identified by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 48 and 52 are now also allowable.

Conclusion

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited. Although Applicants believe that the fees paid herewith are correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payment deficiency to deposit account number 01-0025 referring to docket number 6488.US.O2.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desired in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative designated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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